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INFO USINT BAGHDAD IMMEDIATE 7725

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FOL RPT AMMAN 6455 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO ATHENS BAGHDAD  
NAIROBI AUG 8, 1978

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L AMMAN 06455

DEPARTMENT FOR A/SY/OPS/T  
ATHENS FOR OIC/TSO  
NAIROBI FOR RSS

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJECT: USINT BELT SYSTEM

REF: BAGHDAD 1622 (NOTAL)

1. RSO AGREES WITH TSO/ATHENS THAT THE ONLY SURE MEANS  
OF HOLDING SECURE CONVERSATIONS WITHIN USINT IS BY MEANS  
OF AN ACR. ONLY QUESTION IS HOW LONG WOULD IT BE BEFORE  
ONE COULD BE INSTALLED AND IN OPERATION. IF IT IS NOT  
POSSIBLE FOR AN ACR TO BE INSTALLED IN THE NEAR FUTURE,  
THEN THE BELT SYSTEM WOULD BE BETTER THAN NOTHING AT ALL.  
HOWEVER, RSO BELIEVES IT TO BE AN ADDED BURDEN & EXPENSE  
TO INSTALL THE BELT SYSTEM AND LATER AN ACR.

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2. USINT IS EXTREMELY VULNERABLE TO TECHNICAL EAVES-DROPPING  
IN ADDITION TO LOCAL PERSONNEL REPORTING TO GOI AUTHORITIES.  
USINT DESPERATELY NEEDS AN AREA WHERE SECURE CONVERSATIONS  
CAN BE HELD.

3. RSO URGES SY/T TO GIVE USINT TOP PRIORITY FOR THE

INSTALLATION OF AN ACR. TECHNICAL SURVEY OF ROOM WHERE  
ACR WOULD BE LOCATED HAS BEEN COMPLETED BY TSO ATHENS.

4. PLEASE ADVISE. SUDDARTH  
UNQUOTE VANCE

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